

Russians, French and British Successful Against the Germans On Both East and West Battle Fronts--Allies' Position Stronger--French Airmen Drop Bombs On Zeppelin Shed

ARTILLERY MADE AGGRESSIVE ON THE WESTERN FRONT

Infantry Doing Little Around Flanders--Allies Gaining.

Russia Still Winning In the Eastern War Theatre.

(By Times Special Cable.)
London, Jan. 4.—Utterly irreconcilable are the claims of the contending armies in the east. In the west the unprecedented weather precludes operations, which could give decided advantage to one side or the other.

The activities of the Turks in the Caucasus seem to be assuming an increasing importance, judging from the attention the Petrograd official communications are devoting to this region. Although not admitting that the Turks have been victorious, it is conceded that they are fighting with great valor and stubbornness in the vicinity of the fortified town of Sari Kamysh. The Turks claim to have taken this position. Russia, however, does not admit this, and says the Turks have suffered enormous losses.

Comparing the Turkish and the Russian statements, it would seem that the Turks, at the present time, are making some headway, although both sides are losing heavily in killed, wounded and prisoners, as their troops floundered and fought through the deep snow and in the bitter cold of these high altitudes.

ALLIES ON THE YSER IN BEST SHAPE YET

Germans Losing Ground, and Losing It for Good.

Life in the Trenches Is Too Horrible to Withstand.

(By Times Special Cable.)
London, Jan. 4.—The Daily News correspondent telegraphs from northern France:

Anglo-velvet storms burst over the dreary desolate area of the Yser yesterday. On both sides the fighting was a half-hearted, amphibian warfare, with water-logged guns, water-soaked transports, and spirits drained to the dregs.

Sixty German prisoners, brought in last night, were in a desperate state of health, and uttered words I never saw such desperate men in my life. They swallowed the hot soup served with the gun with the same avidity as the victors. They said they had been turning in unbroken slumber for weeks, from dawn to dusk, and turn and turn about.

SITUATION BEST YET

London, Jan. 4.—The Times' correspondent in northern France telegraphs: The fighting on the Yser again has moved itself in the last day or two mainly into artillery duels. The Germans have lost a large amount of ground at Nieuport and St. Georges and to the south of these points. They are expressing their discontent at the shellings which are continuing to shell everything within range. The French and Belgians are increasing their activity at St. Georges and are taking the offensive. They are attacking the Germans who are held off on the farther side of the town. The hold there is quite counter-balanced by the secure position which the Belgians have won to the south and back of the canal, just to the south and west of the Yser. The position of the bridge head will become more and more valuable.

The French have been fighting desperately toward the south under the trying conditions for weeks. The tide is now returning from that part of the front nearer victory. There always has been a story of hours spent in trenches full of water, there has been a story of hours spent in the open under a hail of shells, there has been a story of hours spent in the open under a hail of shells, there has been a story of hours spent in the open under a hail of shells.

UNDERGROUND LIFE
New York, Jan. 4.—A London cable to the Herald says: An officer, who has just returned from the front, tells that it is quite easy to make one's self in the trenches, which now extend from the north of

PESTILENCE IN 1915

(By Times Special Cable.)
Lombard, Gallia, via Petrograd and London, Jan. 4.—It is reported here that pestilence is spreading in the city and among the garrison of Petrograd, which is now almost without provisions.

Industrial activity still continues from Petrograd, but there are less vigorous pushes. This is due, it is thought, to the garrison's knowledge of the failure of the Austrian army to break through the Russian lines.



SIR CLIFFORD SIFTON, Chairman of the Dominion Conservation Commission, who has been made a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

BOUNDARY SHIFT

Western Canada Hears Rumors of Change of Line.
(By Times Special Wire.)
Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—The Press-Free this morning says it has received several inquiries from Saskatchewan readers regarding rumors of proposed changes in the boundary line between western Canada and the United States. One inquiry says the proposed change has been the subject of much talk all along the southern boundary of Saskatchewan, and the opinion on the Canada side was that a twenty-mile strip from the great lakes to the Pacific was to be exchanged by Canada for territory in Maine. The Press-Free quotes from the Scotch, Montana, Sentinel, which states that the boundary pressure is being brought to bear on the north from the Pacific to the great lakes.

SHIPPERS KICK

Want British Government to Use Captured Boats.
(By Times Special Cable.)
London, Jan. 4.—In view of the high freight rates now prevailing, increased to the point where it is impossible for the Government to release a part of the German tonnage captured since the outbreak of war, and now lying idle and useless in docks here, and the steamers would earn large profits if employed in general trade, the shipowners are pressing the Government to grant the release of the tonnage as a condition of the release of the tonnage as a condition of the release of the tonnage.

The German report. Berlin, via London, 3.55 p.m. Jan. 4.—The official communication issued today by the German Army Headquarters says: In the western theatre of the war, since for a more or less heavy artillery combat along the front, it was generally quiet.

Only near Thann (Alsace) did the enemy show great activity. After the heavy shelling of the village of Seebach, which was the scene of a battle on the night, after a heavy attack in capturing our demolished trenches on these heights, and in connection with the situation on the front, which we stubbornly defended, and which has been frequently mentioned in our reports since last few days. The heights were retaken during the night, after a heavy attack in capturing our demolished trenches on these heights, and in connection with the situation on the front, which we stubbornly defended, and which has been frequently mentioned in our reports since last few days.

AGAIN ADJUSTED.
The Court of Revision for hearing the complaints against the special assessment for cement sidewalks in Barabara has been adjourned to meet again when the new schedule has been elected.

A SMALL FIRE.
Last evening when some water pipes at the home of Mrs. Jane Hobson, at 21 Cheever street, were soiled, the pipes caught fire, and an alarm had to be sent in. The speedy action of the fire department prevented the fire from doing much damage, but Chief Trenchard came down to warn householders about leaving out a frozen water pipe by means of a heater. The proper way to thaw out pipes is with hot water or hot clothes.

Best of All Christmas Gifts.
At approximately interesting prices, 50c to \$1.00, a large number of books are on hand at the Hamilton Book Store, 125 James street.

GARDNER NOW OUT AS CONTROLLER FOR 1916

In the Meantime Will Serve On Library Board.

Tentative List of Committee Chairmen Prepared.

Undecided by the majority his opponent received. Controller Gardner this morning declared that he was still in the ring, and next January would be out as a candidate for Board of Control honors. "I am satisfied," he proudly remarked to his friends today, "My supporters treated me well, but the extent of the sentiment aroused by the civic investigation proved too much this time. In the portion of the city where I did not run, as it were expected, the local improvement work was responsible for the majorities given Ald. Walters. There is an unpleasant, such as this year, you will usually find sentiment of some kind, due to the activity of the city along a certain line."

Controller Gardner, who remains a member of the Board of Control until after inauguration day next Monday, will be appointed to the Library Board this year. His extensive training as a controller is expected to make him a valuable member of that body.

The selection of chairmen for the different standing committees at the annual meeting has practically been made by earlier members of the Council, also the allocation of the four committees. Naturally, the older councillors have talked the situation over since Saturday morning, and claim that there will be little change in the list tentatively prepared. In connection with the Board of Works and the Reception Commission, there are two or three changes. It is now decided, as follows, subject to the approval of other members of the Council, when the usual preliminary meeting is held to elect the Board of Works and the Reception Commission, and members of the Board of Works and the Reception Commission, who remain a member of the Board of Control until

JEALOUS CRIME

Husband Kills Wife Found in Lap of Alleged Brother.

(By Times Special Wire.)
New York, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Frances Collins was shot and killed early today in a bedroom in her home, where she lived with her husband, William, and her two brothers. The husband is locked up, charged with murder.

Collins, who is a carabaz slinger, and his wife controlled early in the evening. When he returned home he found her in the arms of another man. He went to the door, peeped through the keyhole and saw a young woman was in the room. Collins demanded admission, was refused, and he is charged, fired through the panel of the door. Mrs. Collins fell to the floor, fatally wounded.

The man in whose lap Mrs. Collins was sitting was said to be her brother George. The man in whose lap Mrs. Collins was sitting was said to be her brother George. The man in whose lap Mrs. Collins was sitting was said to be her brother George.

WARM CONTESTS IN WENTWORTH COUNTY

Barton Municipal Election Is a Particularly Lively One To-day.

Interesting Too, Taken In Other Parts of the County.
Word, phoned to the Times before going to press, points out that the election taking place in the county today is the most keenly contested in the county for years. The contest is between W. J. Barton and J. C. Langford. Barton is a native of the county, and has been in the county for many years. Langford is a native of the county, and has been in the county for many years.

Both candidates have served their township as reeve in a manner that met with approval. Both candidates have served their township as reeve in a manner that met with approval. Both candidates have served their township as reeve in a manner that met with approval.

MADE VOWS

Solemn Ceremony of Profession at St. Joseph's Convent.

The solemn ceremony of religious profession was witnessed by the Sisters of St. Joseph, and also by many of their friends who made their vows in the chapel of St. Joseph's Convent on Saturday morning, Jan. 3rd. Two young ladies received the habit of the Sisters of St. Joseph, and since then have been discharging the various duties of the order.

Preparatory to the ceremony mass was celebrated by Rev. J. O'Sullivan of St. Mary's Cathedral. In the sacristy were Rev. Frs. Monahan, Barry, Dr. Walter, and Rev. Frs. Lorne, Rogers, Bonomi, Ritchie, Maloney, Phelan, and McPherson. The ceremony was a very impressive one, and was witnessed by a large number of friends.

IMPORTANT FACTS IN THE FUR STORY

Cravat and
Barrel Muff
of
Fitch



Pointed Fox Combined With
Seal

A Red Muff and
Collar of Monkey
Fur



Monkey Fur Trims
Ermine



The High-Collared Scarf of Kolinsky

FURS are here in great evidence and whether you purchase new models or have your furs of other years remodeled, you will listen with interest to the facts in the story. They are of importance in the light that they throw on combinations, kinds and shapes of furs, and because they reflect the changes in style that inevitably swing around with the seasons.

There is a great emphasis placed on monkey fur this year; kolinsky, fitch (both Russian and Austrian), ermine, caracul and the old reliable sealakin are to be in popular forms. Combinations of these furs will be shown, and when there is a shortage in one kind, the substitution of fabrics with pieces of fur will complete scarfs and muffs to a practical and fashionable glory.

Notice the high collar on the kolinsky set. The scarf has the wired military collar at the back that gives a smart finish to the set. The muff is soft and large and has the pelts arranged in a line that contributes to the beauty of the muff.

Fitch is the fur that forms the set with a close collar trimmed with tails, and a barrel muff. The tails are grouped at each side, and the muff has its bands of color arranged in an attractive design. This fitch is of the light color, and therefore the markings are more conspicuous and beautiful.

Black-and-white in its fashionable expression, now appears in ermine and monkey fur. The long straight stole has a fringe of fur and the muff has a ruffle at each end, with black fur and ermine heads as a decoration. This is undoubtedly the latest. Why cannot you have your ermine set trimmed with monkey and bring it up to the fashionable plane of novelty?

All monkey in the collar and keg muff is shown in another set that has a gold rose at the collar. The gloss of the fur and the softness of the hair are the attractive points of this set.

Pointed fox is combined with seal in the last of these facts in the fur story. The scarf is large, with fox on the upper line and a ruffle of sealakin at the lower. The muff has a puffing of seal and fox in the center. The sealakin can be replaced with velvet in any set that you plan at home.

Accept these points in the fur case. They are the right ones and will lead you to the correct conclusion regarding fur sets for cold days.



